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Agenda of the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly

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1. Opening of the session by the President of the General Assembly.
2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation.
3. Credentials of representatives to the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly:
   (a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee;
   (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.
4. Election of the President of the General Assembly.[1]
5. Election of the officers of the Main Committees.[1]
6. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly.[1]
7. Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations.
8. Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: reports of the General Committee.
9. General debate.
10. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization.
11. Report of the Security Council.
12. Report of the Economic and Social Council.
13. Report of the International Court of Justice.
14. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency.

[1] In accordance with rule 30 of the rules of procedure, as amended by resolution 56/509 of 8 July 2002, the General Assembly will hold these elections for its fifty-ninth session at least three months before the opening of that session.

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15. Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs:

    (a) Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council;

    (b) Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council.

16. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections:

    (a) Election of forty-three members of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law;

    (b) Election of twenty-nine members of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme;

    (c) Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination;

    (d) Election of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

17. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments:

    (a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

    (b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions;

    (c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors;

    (d) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee;

    (e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal;

    (f) Appointment of the members of the Consultative Committee of the United Nations Development Fund for Women;

    (g) Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences;

    (h) Appointment of a member of the Joint Inspection Unit;

    (i) Confirmation of the appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development.

18. Admission of new Members to the United Nations.

19. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples.

20. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies.

21. The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict.

22. Assistance in mine action.

23. Sport for peace and development:

    (a) Building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal;

    (b) International Year of Sport and Physical Education.

24. Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations.

25. University for Peace.

26. The situation in Central America: progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development.

27. Zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic.

28. The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security.

29. Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba.

30. Question of Cyprus.

31. Armed aggression against the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

32. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas).

33. The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti.

34. Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security.

35. Consequences of the Iraqi occupation of and aggression against Kuwait.

36. Declaration of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity on the aerial and naval military attack against the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya by the present United States Administration in April 1986.

37. The situation in the Middle East.

38. Question of Palestine.

39. New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support:

    (a) New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support;

    (b) Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa.

40. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance:

    (a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations;

    (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions;

    (c) Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster;

    (d) Participation of volunteers, "White Helmets", in the activities of the United Nations in the field of humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and technical cooperation for development;

(e) Assistance to the Palestinian people;

(f) Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan.

41. Follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children.

42. Follow-up to the United Nations Year for Cultural Heritage.

43. Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin.

44. Culture of peace.

45. Launching of global negotiations on international economic cooperation for development.

46. Towards global partnerships.

47. Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS.

48. Fifty-fifth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

49. Information and communication technologies for development.

50. Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields.

51. 2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa.

52. Oceans and the law of the sea:

(a) Oceans and the law of the sea;

(b) Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments.

53. Report of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994.

54. Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991.

55. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly.

56. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters.

57. United Nations reform: measures and proposals.

58. Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields.

59. Strengthening of the United Nations system.

60. Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit.

61. Multilingualism.

62. Reduction of military budgets:

    (a) Reduction of military budgets;

    (b) Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures.

63. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification.

64. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace.

65. African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty.

66. Consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco).

67. Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security.

68. Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security.

69. Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament.

70. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East.

71. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.

72. Prevention of an arms race in outer space.

73. General and complete disarmament:

    (a) Notification of nuclear tests;

    (b) Prohibition of the dumping of radioactive wastes;

    (c) Reduction of non-strategic nuclear weapons;

    (d) Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: the need for a new agenda;

    (e) Convening of the fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament;

    (f) Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation;

    (g) Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control;

    (h) Relationship between disarmament and development;

(i) National legislation on transfer of arms, military equipment and dual-use goods and technology;

(j) Bilateral strategic nuclear arms reductions and the new strategic framework;

(k) Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in Central Asia;

(l) Assistance to States for curbing the illicit traffic in small arms and collecting them;

(m) Missiles;

(n) The illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects;

(o) Nuclear-weapon-free southern hemisphere and adjacent areas;

(p) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction;

(q) Transparency in armaments;

(r) Regional disarmament;

(s) Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels;

(t) Nuclear disarmament;

(u) Consolidation of peace through practical disarmament measures;

(v) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction;

(w) Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction;

(x) Reducing nuclear danger;

(y) Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the *Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons*;

(z) United Nations conference to identify ways of eliminating nuclear dangers in the context of nuclear disarmament.

74. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly:

(a) United Nations regional centres for peace and disarmament;

(b) Regional confidence-building measures: activities of the United Nations Standing Advisory Committee on Security Questions in Central Africa;

(c) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean;

(d) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa;

(e) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific;

(f) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons.

75. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session:

(a) Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters;

(b) United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research;

(c) Report of the Disarmament Commission;

(d) Report of the Conference on Disarmament.

76. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East.

77. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects.

78. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region.

79. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty.

80. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction.

81. Effects of atomic radiation.

82. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space.

83. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East.

84. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories.

85. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects.

86. Questions relating to information.

87. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 *e* of the Charter of the United Nations.

88. Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories.

89. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations.

90. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories.

91. Macroeconomic policy questions:

(a) International trade and development;

(b) Science and technology for development;

(c) Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries;

(d) International financial system and development;

(e) External debt crisis and development;

(f) Outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation;

(g) Commodities.

92. Sectoral policy questions: preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin.

93. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation:

(a) Women in development;

(b) Human resources development;

(c) International migration and development;

(d) Implementation of the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade.

94. Environment and sustainable development:

(a) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme 1996-2005;

(b) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa;

(c) Convention on Biological Diversity;

(d) Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States;

(e) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction;

(f) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind;

(g) Sustainable mountain development.

95. Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development.

96. United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development.

97. Operational activities for development:

    (a) Operational activities for development;

    (b) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries.

98. Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006).

99. Training and research:

    (a) United Nations Institute for Training and Research;

    (b) United Nations System Staff College in Turin, Italy.

100. Globalization and interdependence.

101. Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and of the twenty-fifth special session of the General Assembly.

102. Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries.

103. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources.

104. Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development:

    (a) Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development;

    (b) High-level dialogue for the implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development.

105. Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly.

106. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family.

107. Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing.

108. Crime prevention and criminal justice.

109. International drug control.

110. Advancement of women.

111. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century".

112. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions.

113. Promotion and protection of the rights of children.

114. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People.

115. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination:

(a) Elimination of racism and racial discrimination;

(b) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action.

116. Right of peoples to self-determination.

117. Human rights questions:

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments;

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives;

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action;

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

118. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors:

(a) United Nations;

(b) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

119. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations.

120. Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003.

121. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005.

122. Programme planning.

123. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations.

124. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations.

125. Pattern of conferences.

126. United Nations common system.

127. Human resources management.

128. Administration of justice at the United Nations.

129. Joint Inspection Unit.

130. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services.

131. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994.

132. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991.

133. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of United Nations peacekeeping operations.

134. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations.

135. Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola.

136. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

137. Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus.

138. Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

139. Financing of the United Nations Mission in East Timor.

140. Financing of the United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor.

141. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea.

142. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia.

143. Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991):

(a) United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission;

(b) Other activities.

144. Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo.

145. Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East:

(a) United Nations Disengagement Observer Force;

(b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon.

146. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone.

147. Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara.

148. Progressive development of the principles and norms of international law relating to the new international economic order.

149. United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law.

150. Convention on jurisdictional immunities of States and their property.

151. Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-sixth session.

152. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-fifth session.

153. Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country.

154. International Criminal Court.

155. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization.

156. Measures to eliminate international terrorism.

157. Scope of legal protection under the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel.

158. International convention against the reproductive cloning of human beings.

159. Observer status for the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance in the General Assembly.

160. Global road safety crisis.

161. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Côte d'Ivoire.

162. Observer status for the Eurasian Economic Community in the General Assembly.

163. Observer status for the GUUAM in the General Assembly.

164. Observer status for the East African Community in the General Assembly.